

At the end of section 40803 of division D, add the following:

(1) **WILDFIRE AIR QUALITY MONITORING IN RURAL COMMUNITIES.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency shall award grants to eligible communities to purchase nonregulatory, portable air sensors that would complement, but not replace, existing regulatory air quality programs and requirements.

(2) **PRIORITY.**—In awarding grants under paragraph (1), the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency shall give priority to—

(A) remote and rural communities—

(i) that do not have regulatory air sensors; or

(ii) in which air quality monitoring is absent or limited; and

(B) communities affected by wildfires and wildfire smoke.

(3) **AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**—There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out this subsection.

SA 2540. Ms. ROSEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2137 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Ms. SINEMA (for herself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. CASSIDY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. TESTER, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. ROMNEY)) to the bill H.R. 3684, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 1614, line 19, insert “hardrock mining,” before “or coal mining”.

On page 1616, strike lines 1 through 9 and insert the following:

(d) **CONSULTATION.**—The Secretary shall consult with the Director of the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement and the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, acting through the Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization—

(1) to determine whether it is necessary to promulgate regulations or issue guidance in order to prioritize and expedite the siting of clean energy projects on current and former mine land sites; and

(2) to convene utilities, nonprofit organizations, researchers, and other stakeholders—

(A) to explore the most effective avenues available to address transmission and distribution system upgrades needed to develop the sites described in paragraph (1); and

(B) to identify and evaluate current barriers to clean energy development, including mine closure plans and reclamation requirements, and recommend revisions to such requirements that can facilitate clean energy deployment on mine sites while protecting the environment.

On page 1617, between lines 6 and 7, insert the following:

SEC. 40344. RE-POWERING AMERICA'S LAND INITIATIVE.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (referred to in this section as the “Administrator”) shall establish the RE-Powering America's Land Initiative as a program within the Environmental Protection Agency in order to encourage the development of clean energy projects on current and former mine land and brownfield sites.

(b) **REQUIREMENTS.**—In carrying out the program under subsection (a), the Administrator shall—

(1) inform eligible entities applying for a multipurpose brownfield grant of the option to develop a clean energy project on a brownfield site;

(2) provide technical and programmatic assistance to eligible entities, including data mapping, solar siting, and feasibility studies;

(3) integrate parcel-level, spatially explicit data into the existing Re-Powering inventory of mine land and brownfield sites to facilitate and streamline identification and evaluation of suitable sites; and

(4) engage with States and local entities to promote awareness of the program.

SA 2541. Mr. BRAUN (for himself and Mr. SCHATZ) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2137 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Ms. SINEMA (for herself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. CASSIDY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. TESTER, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. ROMNEY)) to the bill H.R. 3684, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of division C, add the following:

SEC. 3. AFFORDABLE HOUSING INCENTIVES IN CAPITAL INVESTMENT GRANTS.

Section 5309 of title 49, United States Code (as amended by section 30005(a)), is amended—

(1) in subsection (g)—

(A) in paragraph (2)(B)—

(i) in clause (i) by striking “; and” and inserting a semicolon;

(ii) in clause (ii) by striking the period and inserting “; and”; and

(iii) by adding at the end the following:

“(iii) allow a weighting of up to five percentage points greater to the criteria relating to economic development under subsection (d)(2)(A)(iii) or (e)(2)(A)(iv), as applicable, and up to five percentage points lesser to the lowest scoring criteria under either such subsection, if the applicant demonstrates substantial effort to preserve or encourage affordable housing near the project by—

“(I) providing documentation of policies that allow for the approval of multi-family housing, single room occupancy units, and accessory dwelling units without a discretionary review process;

“(II) providing local capital sources for transit-oriented development; or

“(III) other methods, as determined appropriate by the Secretary.”;

(B) in paragraph (3)—

(i) in subparagraph (C) by striking “and” at the end;

(ii) by redesignating subparagraph (D) as subparagraph (E); and

(iii) by inserting after subparagraph (C) the following:

“(D) in the case of a warrant that applies to the criteria relating to economic development under subsection (d)(2)(A)(iii) or (e)(2)(A)(iv), the applicant that requests the use of such warrant has completed and submitted a housing feasibility assessment; and”;

(C) by adding at the end the following:

“(9) **DEFINITION.**—In this subsection, the term ‘housing feasibility assessment’ means an analysis of the physical, legal, and financial viability of developing additional housing along a project corridor.”; and

(2) in subsection (l)(4)—

(A) in subparagraph (B) by striking “; or” and inserting a semicolon;

(B) in subparagraph (C) by striking the period at the end and inserting “; or”;

(C) by adding at the end the following:

“(D) from grant proceeds distributed under section 103 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5303) or section 201 of the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 3141), except that—

“(i) such proceeds are used in conjunction with the planning or development of affordable housing; and

“(ii) such affordable housing is located within one-half of a mile of a new defined station.”.

SA 2542. Mr. MARKEY (for himself and Mr. MERKLEY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2137 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Ms. SINEMA (for herself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. CASSIDY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. TESTER, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. ROMNEY)) to the bill H.R. 3684, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 40401 of division D, strike subsection (d).

SA 2543. Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mr. PADILLA, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. CASEY, Mr. TILLIS, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. KENNEDY, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. WICKER, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. KELLY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2137 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Ms. SINEMA (for herself, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. CASSIDY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. TESTER, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. ROMNEY)) to the bill H.R. 3684, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in division I, insert the following:

SEC. . AUTHORITY TO USE CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUNDS FOR INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Title VI of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 801 et seq.) is amended—

(1) in section 602—

(A) in subsection (a)(1), by inserting “(except as provided in subsection (c)(4))” after “December 31, 2024”; and

(B) in subsection (c)—

(i) in paragraph (1), in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking “paragraph (3)” and inserting “paragraphs (3) and (4)”; and

(ii) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

“(4) **AUTHORITY TO USE FUNDS FOR CERTAIN INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS.**—

“(A) **IN GENERAL.**—Subject to subparagraph (C), notwithstanding any other provision of law, a State, territory, or Tribal government receiving a payment under this section or a transfer pursuant to section 603(c)(4) may use funds provided under such payment or transfer for projects described in subparagraph (B), including—

“(i) in the case of a project described in clause (i), (xiv), (xv), or (xviii) of that subparagraph, to satisfy a non-Federal share requirement applicable to such a project; and

“(ii) in the case of a project described in clause (xv) of that subparagraph, to repay a